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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/625,048	BARABASH ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Usmaan Saeed	2166	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Usmaan Saeed (PTO). (3) Daniel J. Swirsky Reg # 45,148.
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Date of Interview: 25 April 2007.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
 c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 12 and 20.

Identification of prior art discussed: Printezis et al.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative described the invention and discussed rejected claims, cited prior art. Regarding claim 12 applicant discussed that Printezis does not teach, "only if the card to which the object belongs is not marked." In response examiner pointed the applicant to figure 1 and pointed to limitation c of the claim, which recites, "unmarking a marked card comprising any of said object." Applicant stated that he would delete the limitation c, which recites, "unmarking a marked card comprising any of said objects." Examiner then pointed out that if the limitation c is deleted from the claim, then the claim would appear to overcome the cited reference.

Further regarding claim 20 applicant proposed deleting limitation c and also amending the claim to recite "at any time while performing concurrently any of step a-g." Examiner also thought that these amendments would appear to overcome the cited prior art. All in all, the interview was productive in advancing the prosecution.